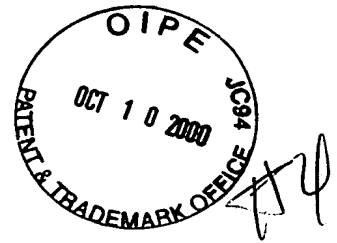


DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY



As the below-named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the invention entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING FOAM BLOCKS AND FOR BUILDING STRUCTURES THEREWITH," which is described and claimed in the specification and claims of Patent Application No. 09/532,059, which I filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 21, 2000 and for which a patent is sought.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification and claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein (if any).

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to patentability and examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

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as described in:

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